AV REPORT 5750-3 AVIATION HISTORICAL SUMMARY PAGE | OF 4 See effective edition of OPNAVINST 5750.8 🦍 OPNAY FORM 5750-2 (REV. 4-60) USS INDEPENDENCE (CVA-62) Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized Date Forwarded RAMAGE blanks using "same" to avoid repeating previously recorded DIRECTIONS: Complete in duplicate femi-annually for periods ending 31 March and 30 September, Jetain copy and forward original to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, information. If more space is needed, attach extra sheets. Amplifying and/or historically significant documents, includ-Op-05A5G, Navy Department, Washington 25, D. C., within 15 days after report period. No covering letter is required. ing photos, may be appended with proper notation under Part VI. Security classification may be at any level consistent with content. Identify classified items within the report, All units complete Part I and other Parts as indicated. by an additional stamp at their position in the report. Follow instructions for each blank; fill in all required Avoid over-classification. PART I - ALL UNITS 1. Designation: Omit if same as in previous period. If changed, enter previous designation, date of change and the authorizing directive. New units record date and place of commissioning. C.O. relieved if command changed this period 2. Commanding Officer CAPT J. D. RAMAGE, USN TOTAL OTHER 3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD AVIATORS AIR PILOTS 110 145 At end of reporting period. Ships give ships OFF1CER company only; wings and groups give staffs only; 2615 2615 ENLISTED air stations give station personnel only. CIVILIAN 02 4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.) 01 OCT 63-24 FEB 64 SIXTH FLT ATTACK CARRIER, FLAGSHIP CCD-6/CTF-60/CTF-502, MEDITERREANEAN DEPLOYMENT 25 FEB 64-04 MAR 64 SECOND FLT ATTACK CARRIER, FLAGSHIP CCD-6 05 MAR 64-31 MAR 64 SECOND FLT ATTACK CARRIER, FLAGSHIP CCD-4 5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.) 01 OCT 63-04 MAR 64: COMCARDIV 6/CTF-60/CTF-502/COMCARSTRIKEGRU ONE 05 MAR 64-31 MAR 64: COMCARDIV 4/COMCARSTRIKEGRU ONE 6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

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See continuation sheet #1, attached

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

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See continuation sheet #2, attached

^{9.} General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

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PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

TWO CONTINUATION SHEETS, marked OPNAV REPORT 5750-3 USS INDEPENDENCE (CVA-62) O1 OCT 63 - 31 MAR 64

USS INDEPENDENCE (CVA-62) Cruise Book "Hereic in its Dedication"

Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Paragraph 7 of basic report, part 1)

1. Continued Fleet evaluation of AN/SPN-10

Precision Approach Final Control Radar, during entire period

2. Continued Fleet evaluation of UK, Action Information.

Center magnetic vertical air summary plot technique, in CIC, during entire period.

3. Continued Fleet evaluation and testing of the CROSS-TELL procedure for exchanging bogie information between Sixth Flt ships and shorebased radar tracking stations Oct 63 to Feb 64.

4. USS INDEFENDENCE was operating in the Mediterranean under U.S. SIXTH FLEET OPCON at the beginning of the reporting period, as a part of US TF 60/NATO TF 502, and participated in the following exercises and operations during reporting period: (outchop from SIXTH Fleet 24 Feb 64)

FOKER HAND II	10-11 Oct 63	(Blue vs Orange Carrier Warfare)
MEDIANDEX 4-63	20-21 Nov 63	(CAS of Landing Force)
RED EYE/INDIAN MAIZE III	22 Nov 63	(Spainish AF and USAF in Spain)
BILATERAL WITH ITALIAN NAVY	23 Nov 63	• •
LAFAYETTE IV	17-18 Dec 63	(Air Strike Warfare, France)
MEDLANDEX 1-64	7-9 Jan 64	(Cape teulada)
BILATERAL WITH ITALIAN NAVY	20 Jan 64	•
POOPDECK III	28 - 31 Jan 64	(Major evaluated Air Strike Warfare Exercise, Spain)
EAGLE EYE	08 Feb 64	
APACHE CHIEF ONE	2-3 Mar 64	(NORAD CONUS Air Defense EX delayed and participation cut back for poor weather)

INDEPENDENCE served as flagship for CTF 60/CTF 502 from 01 Oct 63 to 22 Feb 64 and as flagship for Commander Carrier Division SIX from 01 Oct 63 to 04 Mar 64, and for Commander Carrier Division FOUR from 05 Mar 64 to 31 Mar 64.

INDEPENDENCE operated under the following orders and plans during reporting periods:

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CTF 60/CCD-2	OPORD	57 - 63	Period (OCT-63)	
CIF 60/CCD-6	OPORD	58 – 63	Period (NOV-63)	
CTF 60/CCD-6	OPORD	59-63	Period (DEC-63)	
CTF 60/CCD-6	OPORD	5Ø-64	Period (JAN-64)	
CTF 60/CCD-6	OPORD	51-64	Period (FEB-64)	

COMSIXTHFLT Letter of Instruction for Exercise LAFAYETTE IV of 4 Dec 63. COMSIXTHFLT quarterly employment schedule 2nd, and 3rd quarter FY 64. COMSECONDFLT quarterly employment schedule 3rd quarter FY 64.

OPNAV REPORT 5750-3 Continuation Sheet Two Ol Oct 63 - 21 Mar 64

General Resume of Activity (paragraph 9 of basic report, part I)

At the commencement of the reporting period INDEPENDENCE was operating in the Mediterranean as part of US TASK FORCE 60/NATO TF 502 with Commander Carrier Division SIX/CTF 502, RADM ALLEN M. SHINN and staff embarked. The day before the commencement of the reporting period, 30 September 1963, INDEPENDENCE arrived at Beirut, Lebanon for an eight-day visit and a friendly welcome in this interesting cross roads of the eastern Mediterranean.. INDEPENDENCE departed 7 October for 5 days operations at sea, participating in Exercise POKER HAND II 10-11 October 1963, and next anchored at Taranto, Italy, 12 through 16 October 1963. Three days at sea led to the Fleet Conference 19-21 October 1963 in Augusta Bay, Sicily. INDEPENDENCE put to sea 21 October and conducted Air Firepower demonstrations until 28 October 1963 when she arrived at Palermo, Sicily. Departing Palermo on 4 November 1963, INDEPENDENCE spent 5 days at sea, arrived at Genoa, Italy, on 9 Nov 1963, and left on 18 November 1963 for a scheduled eight-day at sea period, including participation in MEDIANDEX 4-63, 20-21 November, and Exercise RED EYE/INDIAN MAIZE on 22 November. However, while operating at sea on 22 November, INDEPENDENCE received news of the assessination of the Commander in Chief, President of the United States, JOHN F. KENNEDY. INDEPENDENCE anchored in Golfo di Palmas, Sardinia, on 24 November and stayed at anchor through 26 November when memorial services were conducted.

Getting underway on 26 November, INDEPENDENCE arrived at Naples, Italy, 28 November 1963 and remained through 7 December 1963 when she returned to sea for 4 days operations . The ship arrived at Liverno, Italy, on 11 Dec 1963 for a short 3-day visit and put back to sea on 14 December 1963 for operations and Exercise LAFAYETTE IV 17-18 December. A week later, on 21 Dec 1963, INDEPENDENCE arrived at Cannes, France, for the Christmas holidays broken by 24 hours at sea for air operations 30-31 December 1963. INDEPENDENCE departed Cannes 6 January 1964 for six days operations at sea and participation in MEDLANDEX 1-64 7-9 January and arrived at Barcelona, Spain, 10 January 1964. On 16 January 1964, INDEPENDENCE returned to sea for five days operations, including a Bilateral exercise with the Italian Navy, 20 January 1964. INDEPENDENCE spent 22-27 January 1964 at Marseille, France, and then participated in Operation POOPDECK III 28-31 January, afterwards arriving at Palma de Majorca, Spain, on 1 February 1964 for a five day visit. Leaving Palma on 6 February 1964 for Exercise EAGLE EYE on 8 February INDEPENDENCE arrived at Naples, Italy 11 February and departed 18 February 1964 for a rendezvous with USS ENTERPRISE CVA(N)65 on 22 February 1964, Golfo di Palmas, Sicily for turnover. INDEPENDENCE made a one day visit in Gibraltar 24 February 1964 and then chopped to SECOND FLEET OPCON for the transiant crossing to Norfolk where she arrived 4 March 1964. INDEPENDENCE moored at pier 12, U.S. Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Virginia and remained at the pier through the end of the reporting period, 31 March 1964.